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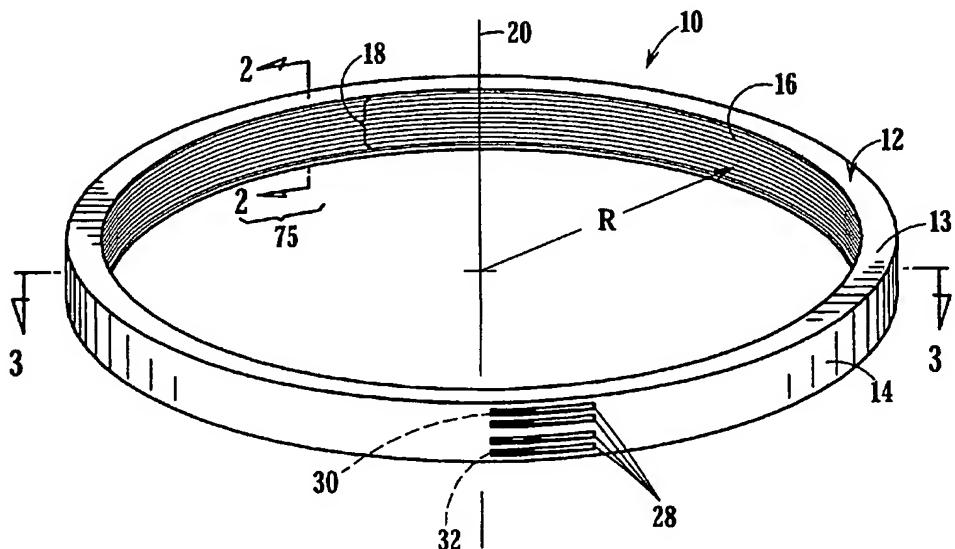
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(57) Abstract: Disclosed is an optical apparatus (10, 110, 410, 610) for accommodating optical fiber, such as one or more loops of optical fiber. The optical apparatus (10, 110, 410, 610) can include a body (12, 112, 412, 612) comprising an inwardly facing surface (16, 116, 416, 616) adapted for receiving a plurality of loops of a length of optical fiber. The body (16, 116, 416, 616) can include at least a portion (75) wherein the inwardly facing surface is continuous between two adjacent loops (79). Methods and apparatus are disclosed for disposing the optical fiber with an optical apparatus (10, 110, 410, 610) for accommodating the optical fiber.



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